

Atty. Docket No. 572.007

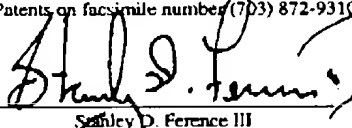
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Alkhalidi  
 Serial No. : 09/654,097 Examiner : N. Norton  
 Filed : August 31, 2000 Art Unit : 1764  
 For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTINUOUS  
 SEPARATION AND REACTION USING  
 SUPERCRITICAL FLUID

August 19, 2003

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
 PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any documents referred to as enclosed  
 therewith are being transmitted by facsimile to the Assistant Commissioner for  
 Patents on facsimile number (703) 872-9310 on August 19, 2003.

  
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 Reg. No. 33,879

August 19, 2003  
 Date of Signature

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time for a total period of three (3)  
 months through and including August 19, 2003 to respond to the Office Action mailed on  
 February 19, 2003. If an additional extension of time is required to insure that this paper  
 is timely filed, please consider this a petition therefor.

The Response for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.

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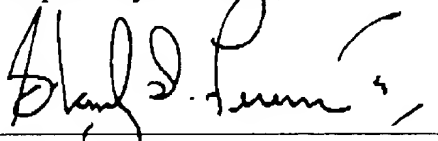
Applicant is a small entity and the extension fee required under 37 C.F.R. §

1.17(a)-(d) is calculated below:

	large entity	small entity
( ) one month	\$110	\$55
( ) two months	\$410	\$205
(X) three months	\$930	\$465
( ) four months	\$1,450	\$725
( ) five months	\$1,970	\$985

Attached hereto is a completed Credit Card Payment Form. Please charge the credit card identified thereon in the amount of **\$465.00** to cover the extension of time fee for three (3) months. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to the credit card identified in the attached Credit Card Payment Form.

Respectfully submitted,



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